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REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE) TRANSMITTAL PURSUANT TO 37 CFR § 1.114

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This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 CFR § 1.114 of the

	above-identified application.									
	1.	Submission required under 37 CFR § 1.114								
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to and through comprising an extension of the shortened statutory period of month(s).

- A Notice of Appeal was filed June 29, 2005. An Appeal Brief is due on August 29, 2005. Applicants are filing this Request for Continued Examination in lieu of this Appeal Brief. Petition is hereby made to extend the time period from to and through comprising a total extension of month(s).
- The Commissioner is hereby requested to grant an extension of time for the appropriate length of time, should one be necessary, in connection with this filing or any future filing submitted to the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office in the above-identified application during the pendency of this application. The Commissioner is further authorized to charge any fees related to any such extension of time to Deposit Account No. 23-3050. This sheet is provided in duplicate.
- The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any deficiency or credit any overpayment of the fees associated with this communication to Deposit Account No. 23-3050.

SHOULD ANY DEFICIENCIES APPEAR with respect to this application, including deficiencies in payment of fees, missing parts of the application or otherwise, the United States Patent and Trademark Office is respectfully requested to promptly notify the undersigned.

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